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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Treasury Advisory Committee on International Child Labor Enforcement

**AGENCY:** Department Offices, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the date and time for the first meeting and the provisional agenda for consideration by the Committee.

**DATES:** The first meeting of the Treasury Advisory Committee on International Child Labor Enforcement will be held on Friday, April 9, 1999, at 9:15 a.m. in the Secretary's large conference room, Room 3327, U.S. Treasury Department, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC. The duration of the meeting will be approximately three hours.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dennis M. O'Connell, Director, Office of Tariff and Trade Affairs, Office of the Under Secretary (Enforcement), Room 4004, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20220. Tel. (202) 622-0220. Final meeting details, including the final agenda, can be confirmed by contacting the above number.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Agenda

At the April 9, session, the Committee is expected to pursue the following agenda. It is expected that additional topics will be added to the agenda prior to the meeting.

1. Welcome and introductions: Chairperson Elizabeth A. Bresee, Assistant Secretary (Enforcement).
2. Remarks. Secretary of the Treasury Robert E. Rubin.
3. Committee charter, objectives, and operations.
4. U.S. Customs Service: Trip reports, budget and staffing projections, and goals.
5. Other business.

**Members:** The Secretary of the Treasury has appointed the following private sector members to the Committee for the current two-year term:

Mr. Erik O. Autor, National Retail Federation  
Mr. Claude Brown, International Brotherhood of Teamsters

Mr. Douglas Cahn, Reebok International Ltd.

Mr. Terry Collingsworth, Rugmark Foundation—USA

Mr. Thomas J. Cove, Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association

Ms. Linda F. Golodner, National Consumers League

Mr. Pharis J. Harvey, International Labor Rights Fund

Mr. Robin W. Lanier, International Mass Retail Association

Ms. Lucille J. Laufer, Oriental Rug Importers Association, Inc.

Ms. L. Diane Mull, Executive Director, Association of Farmworker Opportunity Programs

Mr. Jeffrey F. Newman, National Child Labor Committee

Mr. Elliott J. Schrage, Clark & Weinstock, Inc.

Dr. Sandy Vogelgesang, Everest Associates

Steven S. Weiser, Esq., Graham & James LLP

Ms. Lisa M. Woll, Convention on the Rights of the Child Impact Study  
Representatives of the following entities of the Federal Government will participate as *ex officio* members: Department of Labor, Department of State, Department of Commerce, U.S. Trade Representative, National Economic Council, staffs of the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives.

The meeting is open to the public; however, participation in the Committee's deliberations is limited to private sector and *ex officio* Committee members and Customs and Treasury Department staff. In order to be cleared for admission to the Treasury Building, a person other than an Advisory Committee member who wishes to attend the meeting, should give advance notice by contacting Theresa Manning (202) 622-0220 no later than April 2, 1999.

Dated: March 19, 1999.

**Dennis M. O'Connell,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary (Regulatory, Tariff and Trade), Enforcement.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Customs Service

#### Extension of General Program Test: Quota Preprocessing

**AGENCY:** Customs Service, Treasury.

**ACTION:** General notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that the testing period for the quota

preprocessing program, which allows for the electronic processing of quota-class apparel merchandise, is being extended through the remainder of 1999. The test is being extended so that Customs can further evaluate the program's effectiveness and determine whether the program should be extended to other ports in addition to the ports located at New York/Newark and Los Angeles where the test is currently being run. Public comments concerning any aspect of the test are solicited.

**DATES:** The test is extended from March 15, 1999, until December 31, 1999, with evaluations of the test occurring periodically. Applications to participate in the test and comments concerning the test will be accepted throughout the testing period.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding this notice or any aspect of this test should be addressed to Lori Bowers, U.S. Customs Service, QWG Team Leader, 1000 Second Ave., Suite 2100, Seattle, WA 98104-1020 or may be sent via e-mail to [preprocessing@quota.customs.sprint.com](mailto:preprocessing@quota.customs.sprint.com). Applications should be sent to the prototype coordinator at any of the four following port(s) where the applicant wishes to submit quota entries for processing:

(1) Julian Velasquez, Port of Los Angeles, 300 S. Ferry St., Terminal Island, CA 90731;

(2) Tony Piscitelli, Los Angeles International Airport, 11099 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045;

(3) Barry Goldberg, JFK Airport, JFK Building 77, Jamaica, NY 11430; and

(4) John Lava, Ports of New York/Newark, 6 World Trade Center, New York, NY 10048.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lori Bowers (206) 553-0452 or Bob Abels (202) 927-0001.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On July 24, 1998, Customs published a general notice in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 39929) announcing the limited testing, pursuant to the provisions of § 101.9(a) of the Customs Regulations (19 CFR 101.9(a)), of a new operational procedure regarding quota preprocessing which allows the electronic processing of quota-class apparel merchandise. The new procedure was designed to allow certain quota entries to be processed prior to carrier arrival, thus, reducing the quota processing time. The test was to be conducted at only four ports located in New York/Newark and Los Angeles and was to commence no earlier than August 24, 1998, and run for approximately six months. The notice